

The meeting of the SJWD Water District Commissioners was held April 21, 2026, at 198 Watershed Way, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

Commissioners Present: Buddy Carlton (Chair), Frank Nutt (Vice-Chair), Wanda Fowler (Secretary), Barry Frost, Brian Leonard

Senior Management Present: Billy Cothran (Chief Executive Officer), Larry Christopher (Chief Administrative and Finance Officer), Bobby Walden (Chief Operating Officer)

Staff Present: Corey Bennett, Josh Fulmer, Julie Gillespie, Jamie Jordan, Jake Lancaster, Cam Miller, Ivonne Orsorno, Dusty Peace

Guests Present: Lance Martin, Cam Spencer, William Crawford

NOTICE OF MEETING

The meeting was properly noticed in accordance with South Carolina FOIA requirements. The agenda was provided to WSPA TV and the Spartanburg Herald-Journal, posted in the lobby of SJWD's Administrative Office, and published on SJWD's website.

Buddy Carlton called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 24, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Frank Nutt made a motion, seconded by Wanda Fowler, to approve the March 24, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 7, 2026, SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Brian Leonard made a motion, seconded by Frank Nutt, to approve the April 7, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Lance Martin (114 Edwards Road, Lyman) expressed concern over the elevated water storage tank proposed to be constructed along Edwards Road in Lyman. Mr. Martin requested the design of the tank and site be neighborly and aesthetically pleasing.

CEO'S REPORT

a. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Billy Cothran gave a brief update on legislative matters. No action noted on the Data Center Act.

b. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Bobby Walden provided information regarding potential drought conditions and how SJWD is planning for water conservation solutions.

Billy Cothran informed the Commission that Spartanburg County Council approved the third (final) reading of the District's \$32.8M general obligation bond ordinance.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATES

- a. **Monthly Financial Report:** Larry Christopher provided the monthly financial report to the Commission for March 2026.
- b. **Open Capital Projects Report:** Cam Miller and Corey Bennett updated the Commission on the open capital projects.
- c. **FY2027 Operating Budget and Capital Budget:** Larry Christopher highlighted for the Commission any updates and key factors of the FY2027 draft budget since the April 7, 2026 workshop.

MISCELLANEOUS ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- a. Spartanburg County Legislative Delegation Meeting – Monday, May 4, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.
- b. Next Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting - Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2))

At 11:12 a.m., Barry Frost made a motion, seconded by Brian Leonard, to enter Executive Session pursuant to S.C. Code §30-4-70(a)(2) to discuss the following matters.

- a. Receipt of legal advice and discussion of a matter involving potential claims related to a previously approved policy
- b. Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed purchase of property near Pine Ridge Road.
- c. Discussion of negotiations incident to potential property transaction near Compton Road.
- d. Discussion of negotiations incident to potential property transaction near Rosewood Drive.

The motion was approved.

At 1:51 p.m., Frank Nutt made a motion, seconded by Brian Leonard, to exit Executive Session. The motion was approved.

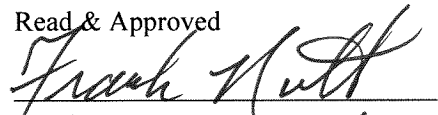
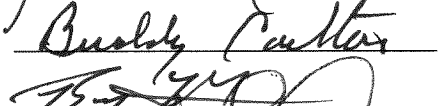


ANY ACTION, IF NECESSARY, FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:51 p.m., Barry Frost made a motion, seconded by Brian Leonard, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved.

Read & Approved

Wanda Fowler
Secretary

